REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that Claims 1-14 were allowed and that Claims 22-23 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

The applicant appreciates the Examiner's comments with regards to the allowed claims and has, accordingly, amended the claims to address issues not associated with prior art. These amendments are submitted without prejudice as to the scope of our invention.

Claims 15-21 have been cancelled and it is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance and an early notification of the same is requested.

Applicant would like to expedite the processing of the pending application which has been pending for three years.

If the Examiner has any questions with regards this Amendment, the undersigned attorney can be contacted at the listed phone number.

Very truly yours,

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